

House Resolution 1576

By: Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Ashe of the 56th, Gardner of the 57th, and Levitas of the 82nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Cecil Turner; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. Cecil Turner on February 21, 2010; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Turner was born on June 16, 1918, in Turner County, Georgia, a beloved
5 son of Hattie and Newt Turner; and
- 6 WHEREAS, a Boys' High School graduate, Mr. Turner earned a bachelor's degree from the
7 University of Georgia and a law degree from Atlanta Law School; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mr. Turner diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and energy
9 to serving the people of Atlanta and Georgia as an Atlanta City Alderman from the Sixth
10 Ward for 12 years and as a delegate to the 1968 National Democratic Convention; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Mr. Turner represented the citizens of Fulton County
12 in the Georgia General Assembly from 1967 to 1969 and served as an attorney in the real
13 estate division of the City of Atlanta's Law Department; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Turner was united in love and marriage to the late Claire A. Turner and was
15 blessed with the love and support of his daughter and son-in-law, Mary-Elizabeth and
16 William Ellard, and many nieces and nephews; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
18 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
19 family and friends were admired by others; and

20 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
21 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
22 made this world a better place in which to live; and

23 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Turner will long be remembered for
24 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal father, uncle, and friend will be missed by
25 all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Cecil Turner and
28 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Cecil
31 Turner.